

**COMMUNITY POND PROGRAM
Roosevelt Park Fish Pond Improvements
Decision Notice and Response to Public Comment**

Prepared by
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Proposal and Final Action

The Community Pond Program (CPP) was developed by Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks to enhance fishing opportunities in or near Montana communities. Funding is intended for construction or improvement of public fishing ponds, and preference is given to projects that create or enhance opportunities for youth/family angling and education. Funding is derived from the sale of fishing licenses, and authority for the CPP is provided by the Montana State Legislature.

The CPP tentatively plans to provide partial funding toward the improvement of Roosevelt Park Fish Pond, which is a 2-acre pond near the Kootenai River. It is a popular fishing spot for local children, the elderly, family, and people visiting Troy. This project would install a handicap-accessible dock, benches, and interpretive signage to provide additional and improved fishing opportunities.

Montana Environmental Policy Act (MEPA)

MEPA requires Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) to assess the potential consequences of the proposed action for the human and natural environment. The Environmental Assessments (EA) for Roosevelt Park Fish Pond Improvements was prepared and released by FWP on May 14, 2018. The 30-day public comment period ended June 14, 2018.

Summary of Public Comment

No comments were received.

Decision Notice

The public comment period closed on this project, and no comments were received. Based on the EA's disclosures and analyses of potential impacts, FWP concludes that the proposed actions will not result in any significant impacts. FWP will adopt the draft EA as the final EA and proceed with the project as planned. Copies of the final EA is available upon request.

Thank you for your interest,



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